Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions statement to 7.30. 27 February 2019.

The decision to prosecute Mr Cranston was made in accordance with the Prosecution Policy of the Commonwealth. This was following an extensive investigation conducted by the AFP and the submission of a brief of evidence to the CDPP, which established that there was a reasonable prospect of conviction and that it was in the public interest to prosecute. Thereafter, the CDPP at all times complied with its disclosure obligations in prosecuting the matter. The evidence was presented to the court and the CDPP accepts and respects the decision of the jury. It is not appropriate for the CDPP to make any further comment.